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FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJ: CIVAIR: FLYING TIGER LINE CLEARANCE

1. ON MORNING MARCH 19 EMBASSY RECEIVED COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM FROM FLYING TIGER LINE REQUESTING FLIGHT CLEARANCE FOR ONE FLIGHT LIVE CATTLE FROM CHICAGO TO TEHRAN, ARRIVING TEHRAN 20 MARCH. SHIPPER IS RU-ANN DAIRY, CHICAGO.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AND FLYING TIGER LINE ARE AWARE, FLIGHT CLEARANCES FOR IRAN, EVEN WITH ADEQUATE LEAD TIME (ONE WEEK OR MORE), HAVE BEEN REGULAR PROBLEM. CATTLE FLIGHT CLEARANCES ARE MOST PERSISTENT PROBLEM BECAUSE OF CONTINUAL IRAN AIR "OBJECTIONS" AND REQUESTS FOR "NO OBJECTION FEES." NONE-THELESS, EMBASSY MADE TELEPHONE REQUEST TO QODSI, DIRECTOR LEGAL DEPARTMENT MORNING MARCH 19, FOLLOWING UP WITH REGULAR LETTER GIVING DETAILS OF FLIGHT. ALTHOUGH QODSI WAS NON-COMMITAL, HE SAID THAT IRANIAN DGCA WAS TRYING TO CLEAR ALL PENDING BUSINESS BEFORE BEGINNING NOW RUZ HOLIDAY (MAR 21-23) AND THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE OBTAIN APPROVAL BY LATE AFTERNOON MARCH 19 OR ON MARCH 20, PROVIDING IRAN AIR DOES NOT RAISE OBJECTION.

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ADVISE FLYING TIGER (DAVID A. LAUX, FLYING TIGER LINE, 7401 WORLD WAY WEST, LOS ANGELES) RE ABOVE. IF APPROVAL OBTAINED BY COB MARCH 20, WILL ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM. IF NOT, SUGGEST FLYING TIGER RESUBMIT APPLICATION AFTER NOW RUZ HOLIDAY WITH AT LEAST ONE WEEK'S NOTICE OR ELSE DEAL DIRECTLY WITH DGCA.

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